

Jumping Off to Oregon

A standards-based field trip for fourth grade
Shawnee Indian Mission State Historic Site • Fairway

Shawnee Indian Mission in Fairway is providing an opportunity for teachers to combine Kansas standards with a unique educational experience!

This tour enables students to use primary source documents to become familiar with the Oregon-California Trail. In addition to learning about the trails, students will participate in loading and pulling their “wagon” with supplies, playing a pioneer game, and autographing “Independence Rock.” Students will read diary entries from emigrants, which will give them an understanding of the hardships and benefits of the move west.

This tour fulfills grade-specific standards and provides pre- and post-visit material to help teachers meet those standards.

Information:

Schedule tours at least two weeks in advance.

Two-hour interactive experience

\$2 per student

kshs.org/teachers/tours

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Fourth Grade Kansas Standards

History

- Benchmark 1 Indicator 4: The student describes how communication and transportation systems connect Kansas to other regions, past and present.

Indicator 5: The student compares and contrasts the purposes of the Santa Fe and Oregon-California Trails.

Indicator 6: The student describes life on the Santa Fe and Oregon-California Trails.

Economics

- Benchmark 1: The student understands how limited resources require choices.

Literature

- Benchmark 2: The student understands the significance of literature and its contributions to human understanding and culture.

Writing

- Benchmark 1: The student writes narrative text using the writing process.

Mathematics

- Standard 1, Benchmark 4: Computation – The student models, performs, and explains computation with whole numbers, fractions, and money including the use of concrete objects in a variety of situations.



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